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Attache Titles and Diplomatic Passports for FBIS Bureau Chiefs

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You asked if Mr. Read's response to Mr. Carlucci's 1 April letter requesting diplomatic titles and passports for FBIS bureau chiefs was acceptable to FBIS. Taking Mr. Read's letter into account, we consulted those bureau chiefs not covered by Mr. Read's decision and concluded that only in the case of our Nicosia bureau chief do we wish to appeal now.

Following your thought that Mr. Carlucci to help, I have prepared the attached draft cable for consideration. Our experience on Cyprus has convinced us that the bureau chief there must have at least a diplomatic passport to protect our essential interests. who was back here recently at our bureau chiefs conference, believes Ambassador Stone will provide the support requested.

Depending on Mr. Carlucci's reaction to this approach, I may ask for similar intervention for our Seoul bureau chief on the grounds that he be able to protect FBIS personnel and operations under all contingencies. While our bureau is located its monitoring operations depend by

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Bureau reporting will be essential in any crisis and we must have at least one person who can move despite curfews, etc.

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